

Minutes

PETALUMA PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING



Wednesday, January 13, 2010
6:00 P.M.

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1. ROLL CALL:

Committee: Abercrombie, Asselmeier**, Ferguson, Hauswald, Lofroos*, Renée,
Webster *Chair; **Vice Chair
Staff: Bates
Absent: Yetter, Hatheway

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approved minutes for December 9th, 2009.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

4. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Discussion of Project Completeness/Incompleteness Review Template Prepared by the Petaluma Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee (PBAC) for Review of Project Completeness. No action was taken on this matter. Asselmeier expressed a desire to work with Public Works on this.
- B. Infrastructure: Identification of Issues and Status of Follow-up on Infrastructure Concerns. Five bike racks will be installed around the south end of the Petaluma Marina with the help of Committee Member Webster, a member of the Marina, and Staff Member Bates. Other infrastructure areas identified were the following: Oak St. and Petaluma Blvd., this area, as well as the whole corridor, needs to be more reflective to improve visibility of both pedestrians and cyclists; A grant for the Casa Grande round about work has been submitted; Adobe/Satori Creek path has run into some private property issues that may prevent the placement of bollards. The city will need to obtain an access to make this a possibility; Allman Marsh Creek is eroding into the Petaluma River and was also suggested as a possible project.
- C. Exploration and Discussion of Developing Bicyclist Self-Defense Class(s) for Petaluma Residents. This item is on hold. There may be the possibility of providing a link on the City's website to the karate bike defense class. Committee Member Renee said she'd follow up with this.
- D. Consideration of PBACs "Authorizing Resolution 2008-221 N.C.S" and PBACs Statement of Purpose. Committee Members Asselmeier and Ferguson volunteered to continue modifying the PBAC's mission statement so that it reflects what the committee does, and, most importantly, is authorized to do.

5. NEW BUSINESS

- A. CalTrans' Hwy 101 and East Washington SB/NB On & Off Ramps; Relation to Kenilworth Pedestrian Overpass. This item, at the urging of Staff Member Bates, was agenized. He volunteered to submit a letter/"access request" for ADA funds.
- B. Discussion and Creation of a List to Prioritize Desired Bicycle and Pedestrian Related Improvement Projects. Public Works is seeking a "master plan" of future improvement projects so that they can target specific grants to apply for. The money can only be used for new projects, not maintenance. Committee Members agreed to bring items to the next meeting that could be added to an already existing list that was created by a past PBAC Committee Member.
- C. Discussion of Possible Western Avenue Bike Lane Improvements located within the County of Sonoma. Phase 1 (Chileno Valley Rd to Windsor Dr) construction will begin in the Spring. Phase 2 (Windsor Dr to Cleveland Ave) is also a go for the Spring. County may need to get a grant for Phase 3 (Cleveland Ave to City Limits/Benjamin Ln).
- D. Discuss the Potential of a New Meeting Location. Beginning next month, we will now be meeting in the City Manager's Conference Rm.

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: February 10, 2010

7. COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS:

- A. Council Comment (Renée): East D Street will be impacted by Regency project. City funds have been requested for a possible bike blvd.
- B. Planning Commission (Abercrombie): No comment
- C. Parks, Recreation & Music Commission (Ferguson): No comment
- D. Sonoma County BPAC (Album): Many obstacles in SMART rail path's way, particularly developers who may have it go through their property. There will be more effort to create safer routes for many of Santa Rosa's schools, especially Oak Grove who no longer has school buses due to budget cuts. The Bike Coalition, on Jan. 29th, will be having board elections.
- E. Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition (Album): See above
- F. Sonoma County Transportation Authority (SCTA) County-wide Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (CBPAC) (Bates): No report. Next meeting is on Jan. 26.
- G. Public Works (Bates): BFP grant of \$103,000 can be used for materials and labor on future projects. In ground lighted crosswalks at Pet. Blvd and Kenilworth will be removed.

8. ADJOURN 7:40pm